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INFO HICOMTERPACIS SAIPAN

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: SOCIALIST DIETMEN TO VISIT TTPI

HICOMTERPACIS PASS TO STATUS LNO TRENT (SAIPAN)

REF: A. TOKYO 10393; B. HICOMTERPACIS 051601Z AUG 73

1. NUMATA, FONOFF FIRST NA DIV, INFORMED EMBASSY HIDEO DEN, SOCIALIST (JSP) MEMBER UPPER HOUSE AND YANOSUKE NARASAKI, JSP MEMBER LOWER HOUSE, ACCOMPANIED BY KITAOKA KAZUYOSHI, PRIVATE SECY TO A LOWER HOUSE DEPUTY, AND JOURNALIST HIROTO NURAOKA, KYODO PRESS, ARE PLANNING TO VISIT GUAM AND PALAU OCT 30-NOV 4. (OCT 31-NOV 3 IN PALAU) NUMATA SAID GROUP'S PURPOSES WERE TO INVESTIGATE CLAIMS SITUATION AND TO OBSERVE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION AND USGR STRATEGIC POSTURE IN AREA.

2. NUMATA NOTED THAT MANY SOCIALIST DIETMEN HAVE HAD NO CAUSE TO ESPOUSE SINCE VN WAR ENDED AND THEY, ESPECIALLY DEN, HAVE SHOWN INCREASING INTEREST IN MICRONESIA. ON CLAIMS QUESTION, DEN HAS BEEN SPOKESMAN IN DIET FOR SEVENTEEN MICRONESIANS (LED BY DANNY LOPEZ) WHO ARE SEEKING COMPENSATION AND APOLOGY FROM GOJ FOR GOJ'S IMPRESSING THEIR

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RELATIVES INTO FATAL MILITARY SERVICE DURING WWII (REF B).

NUMATA ALSO SUSPECTS THERE ARE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN DEN GROUP AND

SPONSORS OF JAPAN-MICRONESIA ASSN AS WELL AS WITH ANTI-BOMB
GROUPS IN MICRONESIA.

3. NUMATA SAID FONOFF ASKING JAPANESE HONORARY CONSUL,
JAMES SHINTAKU, TO MEET GROUP BUT NOT PROVIDE OTHER
SERVICES. HE DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER GROUP WILL ATTEMPT TO
SEE HICOM OR DISTRICT OFFICIALS BUT WISHED TO WARN
EMBASSY AND OFFICIALS IN TTPI OF POSSIBLY SENSITIVE
NATURE OF VISIT.

4. COMMENT: DEN IS PERSISTENT CRITIC OF US POLICIES AND
WILL UNDOUBTEDLY SEEK OR FABRICATE BASIS FOR ATTACKING
US ROLE IN TTPI. SINCE NUMATA WAS NOT CERTAIN OF DEN'S
CONNECTION WITH JAPAN-MICRONESIA ASSOCIATION, HOPE-
FULLY, THIS WILL NOT BE ACTIVE ISSUE DURING TRIP. WOULD BE
INTERESTED IN KNOWING OF ANY CONTACT BETWEEN GROUP AND ASSN
DURING VISIT. NUMATA HAS HEARD OF NO DEVELOPMENTS ON ASSN
SINCE INFO IN REFTTEL.
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